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Wirsta sisters sweep 4-H Beef Club show



THE 2017 ELK POINT GRAND CHAMPION 4-H STEER was shown by Kailey Wirsta, who accepted her trophy stool from Barrett Germain of Barrett Built Ltd., while judge Kurt Pedersen added his congratulations.

VICKI BROOKER

Review Staff

Sisters Kailey and Lexi Wirsta almost needed another truck to haul home their awards from the Friday, May 19, Elk Point 4-H Beef Club Achievement Day, when they claimed all four championships, along with a number of ribbons along the way.

The Female Show was first on the day's agenda, and started off with Cleaver members Zack Germain, Trista Marcoux and Jayden Jean leading in a trio of baby calves, and conformation, showmanship and grooming judge Kurt Pederson complimenting all three on doing a fine job of showing off the progeny of the cows who would take the spotlight later in the show. Those calves and two others returned to the ring with their owners in the next segment, with Heidi Tymko showing the top heifer calf and Macey-Ann Marcoux showing the second place heifer calf. Lexi Wirsta won her first ribbon of the day for the top bull calf, with sister Kailey placing second and Macey-Ann Marcoux placing third.

A field of eight yearling heifers were divided into age groups, with Lexi showing the first place heifer in the February group and Heidi Tymko showing the second place heifer, while in the March group, Kailey placed first and Nicole Bristow second. The top four were brought back in the ring for the Championship Heifer class, where Lexi's Charolais heifer taking the championship and Kailey's Angus taking the reserve.

Lexi's cow-calf pair was first and Heidi Tymko's second in the 2-Year-Old with Calf at Side class, while in the 3-Year-Old with Calf at Side class, Macey-Ann Marcoux placed first and Kailey Wirsta second.

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Active community members lose lives in collision

JANANI WHITFIELD

Review Staff

Following a head-on collision lives that claimed the lives of four men, waves of shock rippled through Elk Point, where two long-time residents and active community members were among those killed.

Jody Lecopoy and Jeff Classen, from Elk Point, Omer Gamache, 64, from St. Paul, and 42-year-old Colin Peripelitza, from Cold Lake, were killed in the Wednesday night accident. A fifth victim, 39-year-old Todd Wilkins, was transported to Edmonton for treatment of unknown injuries.

"It's just really tough to take," said Elk Point Mayor Parrish Tung, of how the news hit home in Elk Point, where many residents set their profile pictures

online to dark blue hearts in mourning.

He noted that the community feels for the families that lost a loved one – a son, a brother, a father – and for local business Hahn's Welding & Oilfield Services, where four of the men worked as part of what Tung called a "close-knit" crew.

"When you have a small town, everybody knows everybody. It affects everybody more than it would in Edmonton. It's not a statistic to us – we lost two community members."

In the midst of Wednesday's storm, with high winds and rain, the group of co-workers was traveling west-bound on a Ford truck on Highway 29 between St. Paul and Elk Point, just before 7 p.m. The driver, Peripelitza, moved to pass a vehicle, colliding with Gamache's Dodge truck, with both drivers pro-

nounced dead on the scene, according to an RCMP press release. Lecopoy and Classen also succumbed to their injuries while on the scene.

Lecopoy, 46, was not only a long-time Elk Point resident, but one that was heavily involved in the community, whether it was volunteering to build sets for Elk Point Theatre projects or opening his property to the Elk Point R/C Flyers.

"He was extremely helpful – everything he did, he put his whole heart into," remembered LoAnne Smith, who knew Lecopoy for more than two decades. She met him through her husband who had grown up with him, and the two men both had daughters around the same age, with Lecopoy leaving behind a wife and a 10-year-old daughter.

When the Elk Point Theatre Project

put on the show 'Annie', Lecopoy was there to help with production of sets, and with his daughter agin in the show as part of the cast of the Wizard of Oz, he too got involved as a volunteer.

"His creativity was unmatched. When he was given the task of the windmill and the wizard's chamber, he took time to think about the project and then made it happen and you could tell that he really enjoyed being involved," said Smith, noting he got the rest of the welders at Hahn's to help build the elaborate, remarkable sets that graced the production, with Wilkins, Classen, and Peripelitza all helping in the project.

Lecopoy was also a long-time flying enthusiast, flying remote control airplanes, and was the one that initially set up the Elk Point R/C Flyers' field.

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Council approves walking trail enhancements

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Elk Point town council dealt with a much shorter agenda last week than they had at the first meeting in May, with two of the most important items on the list stemming from that earlier meeting.

After brief further discussion, council agreed to approve closing Main Street from Railway Ave. to the lane north of Servus Credit Union for the Elk Point Auto Club Show and Shine on Saturday, June 3, if that much area is required. The closure would be for most of the day, as registration starts at 9 a.m. and the prizes are awarded at 4 p.m.

More discussion centered on the rezoning of a portion of a lot from R2 Residential to Institutional, but all agreed on the importance of keeping the daycare in Elk Point, with the rezoning bylaw passing third reading. Administration will now send the landowner a letter requesting that application be made for a development permit, and stating that signage indicating that the east driveway would be the entrance and exit to the facility must be part of the development permit. An additional motion asking for barriers to be placed across the driveway near the building, providing a parking area but preventing through traffic, was defeated.

Walking trail enhancement

The Elk Point Walking Trail project got the go-ahead for two upgrades financed by the MCFP grant for trail enhancement. The first is a series of 14 banners that will clearly mark the trail route, as well as showcasing the community's attributes. The banners, which come with a five-year warranty but are expected to last at least double that length of time, will be installed on metal light poles along the trail. The second enhancement will be eight gar-

bage containers, strategically placed to help keep littering to a minimum, and also purchased with grant funding.

Water break

A waterline break at a business on Railway Ave. during extreme cold weather in March that resulted in a massive water bill was brought to council's attention. The town crew and the property owner were unable to locate the main water line and shut it off, due to the weather, a problem that was compounded by a non-functioning inside valve before the water meter. With the owner willing to work with the town to replace the valve and locate the outdoor shutoff, council agreed to reverse the bill and charge the owner for the normal amount of water as used in other months.

No dog

A resident who purchased dog licenses in 2015 and 2016 for an animal being taken care of on a temporary basis will not have to pay a fine for not obtaining a 2017 license, since the dog no longer lives in town. However, it was emphasized that previous pet owners receiving notices to renew licences must let the town office know when the animals are no longer part of their household.

MSI extended

The town has received word that the Municipal Sustainability Initiative grant has been extended for another two years for both capital and operating expenditures. Council agreed to sign the new funding agreements, as the original agreements expired at the end of March.

Chamber query

Following the installation of a railing on the EcoCentre deck adjacent to the access ramp, a letter from the Elk Point Chamber of Commerce regarding the width of the ramp. It has been determined that the ramp is 34.5 inches in width, while the Alberta Building Code

requires it to be 34.25 inches (870 mm) in width.

Letter of support

Council agreed to supply a letter of support to the County of St. Paul and Elk Point FCSS for their application for a New Horizons grant.

Airport

Wildlife can no longer hide out from control authorities at our local airport. The Town of Elk Point received a letter from Alberta Justice and Solicitor General stating that an issue that surfaced last October has been resolved and Fish and Wildlife officers are now allowed to access airport facilities. In October, an order was set in place prohibiting the officers from attending airports to conduct inspections of international hunters, commercial outfitters and guides and the items they import and export. This prohibition also made it impossible for the officers to answer calls from the airports to conduct problem wildlife control.

Council approved an agreement to rent a portion of the airport property to OPUS, a company involved in the

upcoming upgrades to Highway 646, allowing them to locate a mobile materials testing laboratory on the property for the sum of \$35 per day during the length of the project.

Music video

Former local resident Olivia Rose Leaf, now a student at the Victoria School of the Arts, recently won the Telus Optik Storyhive music video grant, and because her song is entitled 'Hometown Sundowns' she is coming home to film it. She advised the mayor and council that filming will take place June 9 and 10 in and around town. Council agreed to donate \$500 toward the project as it will give Elk Point some great exposure.

Driving policy

The driving policy for town employees was brought back to council with the necessary amendments, and council voted to approve it.

Seniors Week

Council approved a request from Alberta Seniors and Housing to declare the week of June 5 to 11 Seniors Week in Elk Point.

Show and Shine marks 30th year

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

The history of Elk Point's automotive show and shine dates back to September 1988, when the first-ever event of this kind for the community drew over 225 paid spectators to the A. G. Ross Arena to view a collection of 30 cars and trucks, ranging from a carefully restored 1933 Ford coupe to a flame-decked 1986 Dodge pickup.

That show's date and location came after the originally planned date in August coincided with a major downpour, and the organizers, the Elk Point Agricultural Society, decided not to take any chances with the rescheduled event.

The excellent response had Ag Society president Glenn Harms and his committee immediately get to work on plans for an encore, "probably double the size of this one," according to the Sept. 24, 1988 *Elk Point Review*, for May of the following year. The rest is history.

In the years that followed, the Elk Point Auto Club took over the show's organization, with the lineup of vehicles and the attendance varying from rather small to enormous, but every one was much enjoyed by both exhibitors and fans. The show has been held on Main Street for many of those years, with some of the more recent events moved to the Iron Horse Trail staging area, before returning to Main Street.

The 30th annual edition of the show will fill Main Street with automotive beauty once again, with lineup and registration starting at 9 a.m. and the prizes awarded at 4 p.m.

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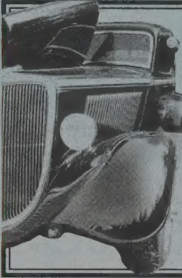
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Electoral boundaries report ruffles feathers

JANICE HUSER
Review Contributor

An interim report on electoral boundaries in Alberta is ruffling some feathers, and making local officials scratch their heads, as the area would be split in ways that would cut municipalities fall in two different constituencies, including the County of St. Paul.

Lac La Biche-St. Paul-Two Hills MLA Dave Hanson described the proposal for the area as being "ridiculous."

In the interim report, the new electoral boundaries for the Lakeland area are significantly different than they are now. The Town of St. Paul and a small portion of the County of St. Paul would fall into a new constituency, called Fort Saskatchewan-St. Paul, while Elk Point and Saddle Lake would be included in the Bonnyville-Cold Lake constituency, along with the majority of the County of St. Paul.

Lac La Biche would be included in a Fort McMurray-Lac La Biche constituency, which takes in the southern part of the City of Fort McMurray.

Hanson says that when Wildrose representation spoke to the commission in charge of the electoral boundaries, representatives stressed the importance of small rural ridings that weren't based solely on population.

Then, "They went on and based everything on population."

Less than 24 hours after the report was released, Hanson said he had already heard feedback from some of the area's elected officials.

"Everyone is very concerned," said Hanson.

Thankfully, Hanson says the interim report "isn't a done deal," and there will be opportunity for people to voice their feedback on the proposal. Hanson says the next step in the process will include consultation, expected to take place over the summer months.

There will be a chance for people to speak up, he says, adding, he would encourage people to send letter to the commission with feedback.

"We're losing representation in rural Alberta," said Hanson. He added that he is disappointed that the new lines would take the communities like Lac La Biche and Elk Point away from the area he oversees now.

"I'd very much like to keep my constituency just the way it is."

While St. Paul Education Regional Division repre-

sentatives have yet to sit down and review the interim report, board chair Heather Starosielski says the school board will be discussing the report at its June 14 meeting.

Starosielski said she did take a quick look at the report, and does have some concerns.

Mainly, she notes that she is concerned about a potential loss of timely and adequate access to the elected MLA for the area. MLAs are already difficult to meet and share information and concerns with, and larger ridings are going to make this near impossible, she notes.

Other concerns includes, "erosion of the rural voice at the provincial government level," and she adds that splitting the county into two ridings will make it difficult to be focused and plan appropriately.

Starosielski says she feels the proposed boundary changes could shift more power to urban centers, whose priorities can be vastly different from rural areas and they could see rural areas being "left behind."

According to the report, "It is recommended that the boundary of the current electoral division of Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville extend east to the Saskatchewan border, and thus take in St. Paul, Two Hills and the surrounding area." The constituency would take in the community of entirety of the town of Tofield, which is currently split between two electoral boundaries. It was also take in the community of New Sarepta (from the current Leduc-Beaumont constituency).

The recommendation keeps Flagstaff County intact, "an important goal given the significant work in which the county is engaged relating to inter-municipal partnerships."

CAO Sheila Kitz and Reeve Steve Upham confirmed that the County of St. Paul is also involved in a number of municipal partnerships, thanks to the successful application of ACP grants for the region.

"For many projects that includes the County, Town of St. Paul, Town of Elk Point, and the Summer Village of Horseshoe Bay. If their reasoning for keeping Flagstaff together is that, then keeping the County of St. Paul in one constituency would also have merit," said Kitz.

"We recently received a provincial award for our region's partnering on Occupational Health and Safety. It will make it more complex for the county to advocate to the province when having to deal with more than one MLA," explained Kitz.

The report also states that the new borders would result in a "relatively balanced number" when comparing the number of people who live in the City of Fort Saskatchewan, and those who live outside the city. The population of the City of Fort Saskatchewan sits at 24,149.

The resulting population of the Fort Saskatchewan-St. Paul constituency would be 10 per cent above the provincial average.

"This variance is justified because population growth is expected to continue to decline compared to the provincial average rate of growth. The Commission was told the average age of residents in the electoral division is well above that of other Albertans," reads the report.

Hanson's fellow Wildrose MLA of the Bonnyville-Cold Lake constituency also offered feedback on the interim report.

"Thursday's Electoral Boundaries Commission interim report does not provide adequate representation to a wide swath of Albertans," said Scott Cyr. "It is disappointing that such a large focus was placed on population, when there are so many other factors outlined in the Electoral Boundaries Commission Act that should go into developing riding boundaries."

For example, the scarcity and density of population should be taken into account, along with common community interests, the number of municipalities, and geographical feature, said Cyr.

In the Bonnyville-Cold Lake riding, boundaries would also change. The new electoral division of Bonnyville-Cold Lake would take in the Air Weapons Range, Saddle Lake, Whitefish (Goodfish) Lake, and the Town of Elk Point.

The constituency would have a total population of just over 50,000 people, which is seven per cent above the provincial average. It is expected that by the time the electoral boundaries are next review, the constituency population will be at or below the provincial average, according to the report.

The report notes that the recommendations do move toward the goal of having constituencies with a smaller geographical size, and shorter travel distances.

"The Wildrose Party will be providing feedback to the commission and express our serious concerns in the coming months to ensure rural Albertans being heard," added Cyr.

Accident

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Frank Mayer, president of the club, said that while Lecopoy initially started the field, it kept evolving, with members adding fire-pits, a windmill, water fountain, mini-golf, and camping areas, and more to the location over the years. Lecopoy was part of building the flying club into what it is today, he said.

"He could never say no; he would give his shirt off his back to help anybody to succeed," said Mayer, adding when it came to the flying club, Lecopoy's attitude was never - "We can't do that, that's impossible" - but "Let's see what we can do, let's make it happen."

Lecopoy invited schools to come for aviation day, making it a field trip for

several, but also a place for adults to come and enjoy like kids too.

"He wanted it to be a place where adults could come where they feel like they were going to Disneyland," Smith said, recalling the sign at the field welcomed people with the words - "Where your dreams may take flight."

"He will leave a huge hole and will be truly missed."

Lecopoy's younger co-worker, 28-year-old Jeff Classen, was also remembered as a kind and helpful man by those who knew him. Elk Point Baptist Church pastor Jim MacLellan said he had known Classen since he was a small two-year-old boy, meeting him after the family moved to Elk Point.

"Jeff and his family are active members in the church - I said to someone just yesterday, he had a quiet but very

real faith in Christ," said MacLellan, noting that as a young person, Classen was involved in the church's youth ministries.

"He was one of the humblest and kindest men I've known. I say humble - although he was a welder, when he couldn't get work as a welder, he would do anything, he would literally do anything to keep working, to keep helping."

MacLellan said he saw multiple instances of Classen's kindness, of being willing to help others if they needed a ride, or if they needed some help even in the middle of the night. MacLellan's own daughter had worked with Classen and been helped and supported him during their time as working partners.

"He was just constantly giving to people."

The Elk Point Baptist Church family

has been reaching out to try and help and support Classen's immediate family, but MacLellan said, "We're well aware many are grieving in our town, and aware of the incredible loss this is. We're constantly praying for all the families that are grieving."

Among those left reeling from the sudden news was the family of Omer Gamache, that recalled him as being a "kind and big-hearted person."

"You were sure to always leave a conversation with him smiling and laughing," the family wrote, in a statement to the Journal, describing him as an "amazing husband, dad, papa, brother, uncle and friend. If you ever needed a hand, there was never any hesitation. Big Guy would be there to help. We were all truly blessed to have him in our lives, he will be so sadly missed by all."

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EDITORIAL

County split unacceptable

The first glance at the proposed electoral boundary changes has many of us saying an emphatic "Don't even think about it!"

The proposed change would take a huge slice out of the County of St. Paul, including Elk Point and it's hard to make sense of such a move, in a time when towns and counties are being urged to work together with other municipalities. If a single municipality, such as the county, is shared by two electoral districts, that cooperation is going to be much harder to obtain.

Elk Point, St. Paul and the county are all one family, and tearing apart families is just not acceptable.

RECREATION CORNER

Grant deadline coming up

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The Community Enhancement Grant Funding applications are due by June 15th at 12 Noon at the Town of Elk Point office. You can hand deliver Monday through Friday, the office is open from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 Noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily. You can also send your application through the mail, Box 448 Elk Point, Alberta T0A 1A0 or email recreation@elkpoint.ca. Please note the deadline is strict and no applications submitted after 12:00 Noon on June 15th will be considered for funding.

For non-profit groups or organizations, as well as community facilities that are applying, please note it can take up to three months from the application deadline, to receive a cheque should your funding be approved.

The annual Kick-Off to Seniors' Week Pancake Breakfast is this Sunday at the Seniors' Centre. Breakfast will be served from 8 to 10 a.m. with pancakes, sausage, and eggs on the menu. Of course there will be coffee, tea and juice served. It's a great opportunity to reconnect with grandparents or meet some community members.

The car show is Saturday and with it brings the annual Community-Wide Garage Sale. If you have a garage sale you would like advertised on the Town's social media pages, email the address to recreation@elkpoint.ca

We're only a few weeks away from Canada Day and are looking for some support. It's a great opportunity for some teens to make a little extra cash. We are hiring six to 12 people to man the bouncy houses and kids' games. You can apply as an individual or as a non-profit. Non-profits will receive a donation from the committee. If you are an individual applying, you must 14 years of age. The position is from 12 Noon to 5 p.m. and pays \$15 per hour. Please submit your resume before June 15th to recreation@elkpoint.ca; include one non-family reference.

Canada Day Pro Tip: We're hired the group Camp Fire Kings. They are a cover-by-request band that has hundreds of songs in their catalogue. They will be performing at the Canada Day Stage from 1:30 to 4 p.m. If you would like to get your request in early, check out their website: thecampfirekings.com.

For sponsors, we will be printing the posters, updating the website, and sending out the mailouts this week. Sponsorship deadline to be included in the promotional material is tomorrow, Wednesday, May 31.



WAY BACK WHEN...

Father-daughter act, election hopefuls, hugs at Heinsburg

HERE'S THE NEWS THAT MADE THE HEADLINES OF THE LAKELAND REVIEW AND THE ELK POINT REVIEW FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 29 IN...

1987

The F. G. Miller High School Class of '87 had its dreams, with the school's 1967 students' union president, Walter Ference, invited onstage to make a presentation to the 1987 counterpart, his daughter Wanda before Kathy Mistol and Cathy Buck took over the podium for their valedictory address. Town council dealt with a hefty agenda that included support for a municipal historical park, new bleachers for the ball diamond and final readings to a bylaw establishing a municipal recreation and cultural board.

1992

Elk Point Auto Club displayed 121 years of transportation, from Steve Andrishak's Penny-Farthing bicycle and 1903 Model A Ford to a sleek, chrome-decked Harley Davidson Electraglide at their show and shine. Elk Point Public Library Board was facing a crunch that meant raising at least \$6,000 a year or cutting programs and services to a minimum, and were hoping to form a Friends of the Library group that would be able to get a license to run bingos.

1997

Federal election hopefuls John Williams, Les Parsons, Valerie Morrow, Hansa Thaleshvar and Leon Benoit met the Lakeland riding voters at a forum hosted by the chamber of commerce. Nine Grade 12 students and 10 Grade 9 promees celebrated their academic achievement at Frog Lake School with the theme, "Past, Present, Future."

2002

Northern Lights Library System opened their new headquarters in the former Pan Canadian Energy building, with new director Carol Morgan busy getting

ready for a June 1 grand opening. 'Tuu Times' made it seven times in the winners' spotlight at the Jan Frisby Memorial Slowpitch Tournament, with a win over Lac La Biche, with Squeeze Play and WHG winning the B and C events.

2007

Glenda Bristow from St. Paul Education's central office handed out hugs and personalized backpacks to Heinsburg Community School's Class of 2002 and urged them to fill their backpacks with life skills for the journey through life they are about to take. St. Paul's Xtreme won the A event at the Jan Frisby Memorial tournament, with two Elk Point teams, Balls Deep and Kaos, winning the B and C events, and Kaos donating their winnings to cancer research.

2012



READY TO ROAR - Black powder marksman and gunsmith Darrell May (right) points out the details on the black powder cannon he created, which was a definite attraction for both spectators such as Dennis Jasinsky and the canoeists preparing to set off down the North Saskatchewan River in the Fifth Annual Riverland Challenge.

Spencer and Austin Young competed at the Alberta High School Rodeo Association junior division finals in Nanton, Alberta on the May 11-13 weekend and came home the Provincial Ribbon Roping Champions together.

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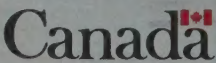
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Frog Lake grads forge on with high hopes for future

JD SCHMIDT
Journal Contributor

On Friday night, friends and family gathered at New Horizon Arena in Frog Lake to celebrate the graduation of Chief Napewew Comprehensive School's Class of 2017. The emotional and bittersweet evening began with a traditional banquet before the official

Rural Crime Watch to celebrate Farmers Day

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Members of Greater Lakeland Rural Crime Watch and their families will have the opportunity to enjoy a special Farmers Day event on Friday, June 9, when the organization hosts a barbecue supper at Stoney Lake's county campground gazebo.

The event is free of charge for members and their families, as well as for new members that sign up and pay their dues that evening as they arrive at the event, however all those planning to attend must phone Levina at 780-724-7807 or Dolores at 780-724-2068 by Sunday, June 4 to reserve their steaks.

The supper starts at 6 p.m., but the organization has the facility booked for the whole afternoon and evening, so members and their families are welcome to come earlier and enjoy the lake and nearby playground.

Entertainment is planned to wind up the evening. Greater Lakeland Rural Crime Watch members come from across the County of St. Paul and even beyond its borders, and now has some members who live in the towns, villages and hamlets in the area.

ceremony began and the 16 grads were in high spirits throughout the evening.

Toasts were given to the graduates, their parents, and Frog Lake Elders before the official convocation began. Messages of encouragement and support were given to the graduating class from Chief and Council and from the Frog Lake Education Authority.

Philip Stanley, Class of 2017 Valedictorian, had plenty to say about his classmates on their special day.

"We've all been through a lot, and for a lot of us, if not each and every single one of us, getting to this point hasn't been easy. We've worked hard, studied hard, and had to rely on everyone around us to get us through the hard times," Stanley said. "We can be proud of what we accomplished, but we also have to be grateful for the people who have supported us: Our parents, our families, our teachers, and our friends. We owe all of this to them."

ELK POINT MINOR HOCKEY

EARLY REGISTRATION

Tuesday, June 6, 2017
3:30 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.
at the A.G. Ross Arena
Contact Candy @ 780-646-0810



COUNTY OF ST. PAUL NO. 19 ASSESSMENT OPEN HOUSE

The County of St. Paul will be holding an **OPEN HOUSE** to discuss any inquiries you may have regarding your assessment on **Tuesday, June 13th from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.** and **Thursday, June 22nd from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** at the County of St. Paul Administration office located at 5015-49 Avenue. Please call the County Office at 780-645-3301, Extension 202 to schedule an appointment. Our assessors from Accurate Assessment Group will be here to discuss any assessment inquiries you may have. If you would like to discuss your assessment at any other time please call their office at 1-877-438-2305 or speak to **Bob Daudelin** or **Jesse Nelson**.

UPCOMING AUCTIONS

Saturday, June 3, 2017 at 9:30 A.M.

HENRY & ANNA WALL

Sale Location: From Mannville, 17 Miles North on Sec Hwy 881 to Twp Road 532. Land, Cow/Calf Pairs, Farm, Construction & Yard Equipment.

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 at 1:00 P.M.

JIM & DONNA BURKE

Sale Location: From Marwayne, 5 Miles North on Sec Hwy 897 to Twp Road 534, 2 Miles West to Rge Road 33, 2.5 Miles North, East Side. **PARTIAL:** JD 5020* JD 3020* Cockshutt 70* MF 81* JD 400 Lawn Tractor* JD 525 Lawn Mower* Trucks & Cars* JD 95 Combine* Seeding & Field Equipment* Bins* Cattle & Yard Equipment* Honda Quad* Scamper Holiday Trailer* 65HP Mercury Outboard Motor* Shop Tools* Household & Misc. **For More Information, Please Call Jim at 780-872-6819.**

Saturday, June 10, 2017 at 10:30 A.M.

PAUL & ROSE YARMUCH

Sale Location: From Vermilion, 8 Miles North on Hwy 41 to Twp Road 522, 6 1/2 Miles West or Hwy 16 & Rge Road 80, 10 Miles North to Twp Road 522, 1/4 Mile West. **PARTIAL:** KL351 Kioti Tractor* 775 MF 15' Hydrostatic Swather* MF 5' FC23 Diesel Lawn Mower* 6' Cultivator* 6' Harrow* 7' Snow Blade* Plastic Water Tanks* Karcher 2600 PSI 2.3 HP Pressure Washer* 3000 Champion Power Plant (New)* Shop Tools* Yard Equip* Cattle Panels* Assorted Steel & Lumber* Assorted Household* Antiques & Misc. **For More Information, Please Call Paul at 780-853-2377. CONSIGNMENT:** 1969 GMC 960 3T. Truck* Farm King 50" Diamond Harrow Draw Bar* 22" IHC Vibra Chisel 5000* Cultivator. **For More Information, Please Call Alex Wynnchuk at 780-853-2013. Universal DTC445 Tractor (FWA, 45 HP, 760 Hrs., 2 Hyd. Outlets, 540 PTO, 3PH) For More Information, Please Call Allan Warawa at 780-741-2216.**

Saturday, June 17, 2017 at 10:00 A.M.

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Thursday, June 22, 2017 at 9:30 A.M.

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Greater Lakeland Rural Crime Watch

FARMERS DAY BARBECUE

for members and prospective members living in the County of St. Paul
Friday, June 9, 6 p.m. at Stoney Lake Campground Gazebo

Call Levina 780-724-2524 or Dolores 780-724-2068

by Sunday, June 4 to reserve your steak!



SUPREME CHAMPION FEMALE of the Elk Point Achievement Day show was Lexi Wirsta's two-year-old cow, Mojito, and her calf, King Bob, which won her the Crestview Angus trophy presented by Les Tymko, with judge Kurt Pedersen looking on. Alysa Jean showed King Bob.



RESERVE CHAMPION STEER was this handsome Hereford, shown by Lexi Wirsta for the Family Ties Angus trophy, presented by Dallas Bristow, with the judge on hand to offer congratulations on the win.

Vicki Brooker photos.



RESERVE CHAMPION FEMALE for the show was Lexi Wirsta's yearling heifer, a Charolais named 'Venezuela' who was born on Feb. 8, 2016. Kevin Wirsta presented the K-Cow Ranch trophy stool.



JUDGE KURT PEDERSEN compliments Cleaver members, left to right, Zack Germain, Trista Marcoux and Jayden Jean on their efforts in the show ring.



DALLAS BRISTOW accepted the Rate of Gain challenge trophy from Kailey Wirsta for his big buckskin steer who gained a whopping 3.45 pounds per day on feed.



INVITATION TO TENDER

County of St. Paul No. 19

Northern Valley Road – Phase 3

Grading and Other Work

Sealed Tenders for the above project will be received by the County of St. Paul No. 19 until:

1:00 p.m., Thursday, 8 June 2017

Tender opening will be at the County Public Works Shop, 5618 – 57 Street, St. Paul, Alberta.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Northern Valley Road – Phase 3

From Rge Rd 53 to Rge Rd 44 (approximately 11.20 km)

APPROXIMATE QUANTITIES:

Clearing	-	7.0 ha
Common Excavation	-	139,000 m ³
Borrow Excavation	-	96,100 m ³
Overhaul	-	24,820 m ³ /km
Topsoil Placement	-	192,500 m ²
Culvert Installation	-	994 m
Gravel Surfacing (Des 4 Class 20)	-	12,100 t

The County will supply the aggregate for this project.

Plans and specifications may be obtained from the office of the Engineer, AMEC Foster Wheeler Environment & Infrastructure at 5681 – 70 Street NW, Edmonton, Alberta.

A non-refundable fee of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) made payable to AMEC Foster Wheeler Environment & Infrastructure will be required for each set of documents taken. Tender documents will be available for pick up at AMEC Foster Wheeler's Edmonton office after 2:00 p.m., on **Thursday, May 25, 2017.**

Tenders must be accompanied by a certified cheque or bid bond in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total sum tendered. **The completion date for this project is October 15, 2017.**

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all tenders. The lowest or any other tender will not necessarily be accepted.

If further information is required, please contact Mr. Steven Jeffery, Public Works Supervisor, County of St. Paul No. 19 at (780) 614-7946.

For technical or engineering information, contact Mr. Gabe Rohr, AMEC Foster Wheeler Environment & Infrastructure at (780) 377-3633.

4-H Beef show

(Continued from Front Page)

Both of those sets of winners, along with the two top yearling heifers, came back in the ring for the Championship Female Class, where Lexi's cow-calf pair was declared Supreme Champion and her yearling heifer the Reserve Champion, receiving trophy stools from Crestview Angus and K-Cow Ranch.

After the 4-Hers, leaders, families and fans recharged with a great supper prepared by the 4-H moms, all the members gathered in the ring for the Judging class, listing their reasons for ranking four steers in first to fourth place. The results of the class, announced at the end of the show, placed Heidi Tymko first, Nicole Bristow second and Mathew McAnally third in the Senior group, Kailey Wirsta first, Lexi Wirsta second and Dallas Bristow and Macey Ann Marcoux tied for third in the Intermediate group, while Luke Germain was first, Jayci Marcoux second, Cloey Germain third and Alysa Jean fourth in the Juniors.

Conformation and Grooming were judged simultaneously, with the top steers from each group later coming back for the Parade of Champions. Grooming winners were: Senior – 1. Heidi Tymko,

2. Nicole Bristow; Intermediate – 1. Kailey Wirsta, 2. Lexi Wirsta; Junior – 1. Alysa Jean, 2. Luke Germain. This class was followed by Showmanship, with Heidi and Nicole again first and second respectively in the Senior group, Kailey and Lexi first and second in the Intermediates, and Jayci Marcoux first and Luke Germain second in Juniors.

Dallas Bristow was the proud winner of the Rate of Gain award, his steer gaining 3.45 pounds per day, with Lexi Wirsta's gaining 3.20 pounds per day for second and Nicole Bristow's third at 3.11 pounds per day.

Steers shown by Heidi Tymko, Nicole Bristow, Kailey and Lexi Wirsta, Luke and Cloey Germain returned to the ring for the Parade of Champions, with judge Kurt Pederson saying he was "really happy with the set of calves we have out here today," before choosing Kailey's big charcoal and white steer as the Grand Champion, for the Barrett Built Ltd. trophy and Lexi's Hereford steer as the Reserve Champion for the Family Ties Angus trophy.

Ashley Bristow was mistress of ceremonies for the show, with Roy Tymko as ring man, Richard Marcoux and Les Tymko as weigh masters, Lucille Smith and Ellen Seward as show clerks and Tasha Marcoux and the Cleavers as the ribbon presenters.

Art goes far outside lines

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Lines? What lines? Forget the solemn, structured school programs of yesteryear – at F. G. Miller High School has erased them all, a fact that was very evident when the artistic and musical talents of Elk Point's students took centre stage Thursday evening at the annual 'Outside the Lines' showcase, where visitors had the opportunity to view a vast variety of artwork before sitting down to enjoy some outstanding music provided by eight sets by solo and group performers.

Art by FGM's junior and senior high students filled six long rows of tables and ranged from surrealism to First Nations traditional, from extended cartoons to copies of Group of Seven masterpieces, with media ranging from oil pastels to Sharpies, watercolours to linoleum block prints, with subjects ranging from a skull surrounded by butterflies to perspective drawings of a busy downtown district, from self portraits to landscapes, all created by the students of art and music teacher Shane Larmand.

Another type of art was also part of the show, with a number of examples of increasing woodworking skills exhibited by Dave Shankowski's industrial arts students.

If the art brought in the audience, it was the music that kept them glued to their seats until after 9 p.m. with a lineup that played country, rock and metal with equal skill and enthusiasm. Some of the musicians came from in-school music classes, and others from Larmand's after-school music program, with their teacher joining in with each and every group.

One of the latter was in the first group and was Larmand's first adult music student, Daleen Pinder, who shared the stage with her youngest son Dason on drums, Kolbie Poitras and Adasyn Havener on guitars. Pinder has been singing since she was a young teen, and is now enjoying the ability to add her own guitar accompaniment. The group started off with Johnny Cash's 'Folsom Prison Blues,' following up with 'Knocking on Heaven's Door' and finishing the set with Kolbie taking over the drums for 'Wagon Wheel.'

The second group featured a pair of drummers, with 'Kryptonite,' 'Hitchin' a Ride' and 'Today' coming from Brandon Goertzen, Alex Duffee, Rylee Anderson and Vincent.

Vocal soloist Georgia Bendixen charmed the audience with 'Heart of Gold' before she relinquished the stage to Keanna Radcliffe, Hailey Bykowsky and Kendra Kowarchuk who performed 'Waiting for the Bus,' 'Addicted to Love' and 'Hallelujah.'

MJ Bretzer was the evening's second soloist, getting the crowd singing along with 'Sweet Caroline' and 'Proud Mary.'

A female quartet who called themselves Night Shade Underground, Grade 8 music students Cynthia James, Micah Urquhart, Steph Jacula and Rachel Zacharuk, wowed the audience with 'Lost in Love.'

Kobe and Casey Warawa, Dakota and Colby Havener were next with 'Night Moves,' 'Hotel California' and 'Highway to Hell,' with the trio of Cameron Garnett-Bennett, Hayden Ludlage and MJ Bretzer winding up a tremendous show with 'Sultans of Swing.'



MAKING IT COUNTRY - Kolbie Poitras, Daleen Pinder, Adasyn Havener, teacher Shane Larmand and (not shown) drummer Dason Pinder opened the show with Johnny Cash's 'Folsom Prison Blues.'



ROCKIN' WITH THE GUYS - Shane Larmand adds his expertise to his students' performance and has great fun doing it.



VARIETY OF STYLES - Expressionism by Graham Stuparyk and an expanded cartoon by Cynthia James share a table with a First Nations Group of Seven copy by Julie Mountain.



INDUSTRIAL ART students showed skill and style in their woodworking creations displayed at Outside the Lines.

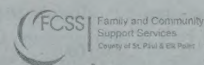


FINE FINALE - Cameron Garnett-Bennett, MJ Bretzer and Hayden Ludlage wound up the show with 'Sultans of Swing.'



JUNE 5 - 9, 2017 SENIORS WEEK CELEBRATIONS

You are invited to join us in celebrating our seniors during our Seniors Week celebrations. The County of St. Paul FCSS will be providing hotdogs, refreshments and ice cream in your community during the week of June 5th to 9th. All gatherings will take place at your local Senior Center.



ASHMONT SENIORS
JUNE 6TH

MALLAIG SENIORS
JUNE 7TH

HEINSBURG
SENIORS
JUNE 8TH

ELK POINT
SENIORS
JUNE 9TH

All BBQ's will be
held at local
Seniors Halls

Between
11am - 1pm



COUNTY OF ST. PAUL NO. 19 AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD

2017 ROADSIDE SPRAYING PROGRAM

The County of St. Paul No. 19 Agricultural Service Board will be starting their 2017 Roadside Spraying Program in the month of June. This program is in place to control the spread of Weeds and Brush along Municipal Road Allowances in accordance with the Weed Control Act.

Landowners concerned about Pesticide Spraying along Municipal Road Allowances must sign a "Weed and Brush Control Agreement," with the County and post the areas they do not want sprayed by May 31st. It will be the Landowner's responsibility to control all the weeds and brush within that posted area by July 1, 2017 or the County may intervene with control measures.

The "Weed and Brush Control Agreement" and the "Do Not Spray" Signs are available at the County Office or Public Works Shop.

For more information, please contact Keith Kornelsen, Agr. Fieldman at 780-645-3006 Ext. 236 or Warren Leister, Assistant Agr. Fieldman at 780-645-3006 Ext. 235.



NOTICE COUNTY OF ST. PAUL NO. 19

Notice is hereby given that the Council of the County of St. Paul No. 19 is considering **Bylaw No. 2017-20** which is a Bylaw to change the boundaries of an environmental reserve to rectify another concern within Lot 10 ER, Block 1, Plan 812 1812 (Paziuk Development, Lac Sante) registered in respect of Part of SW 26-56-11-W4 located within the boundaries of the County of St. Paul.

A Public Hearing will be held on **Tuesday June 13, 2017 at 10:45 a.m.** or as soon thereafter as can possibly be arranged, at the County Office (5015-49th Ave) in St. Paul.

Copies of the Bylaw may be inspected during normal office hours at the County Office.

For further information, contact the County Office at 645-3301, ext 205.

Krystle Fedoretz, Planning & Development Officer
County of St. Paul No. 19
5015 - 49 Avenue, St. Paul, AB., T0A 3A4

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Sun shines for 2017 Iron Horse Mini runners

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

The 2017 Athletic Alley Iron Horse Mini came down to a very close finish for first place on Saturday, with Andre Chauvet of the Rusty Sneakers relay team pounding across the Elk Point finish line a mere 20 seconds ahead of Kassandra Shaw of the Kenya Catch Us, Chauvet clocking in at 12:20.20 p.m. and Shaw at 12:20.40 p.m.

"I looked back and she was gaining on me, taking long strides," Chauvet panted as he handed in his card to volunteer D'Arcy Evans at the final check-in point.

The first of 12 solo runners, Jonathan Heinz of Calgary, was the next to complete the 45 km run at 12:30.00 p.m., with local running enthusiast Victor Stepa of the third-place Hawks team and Lucille Penz of the fourth place Trail Pounders close on his heels, Stepa and Heinz sharing their encounters with the low point of the run, an area east of St. Edouard staging area where Stepa said they encountered a 75-yard stretch of thigh-deep water.

"I'd been skirting the puddles until then," Heinz said, "trying to keep my runners dry, but at that point, there was no escaping getting them very wet."

Unlike last year's Mini, however, these were the only wet conditions the runners encountered, compared to last year when competitors dealt with pour-

ing rain that turned the trail to mud in many spots, and when Evans was huddled under an umbrella in effort to keep her stopwatch and competitors' lists dry. This year, her bright orange Athletic Alley umbrella was just to keep bright sunshine at bay.

Teams and solo runners were welcomed with cheers and hugs from teammates and family members, and with waving pompoms and castanets by a contingent of Elk Point Elementary School ambassadors, the latter group practicing their welcoming skills prior to the Mini runners' arrival when brother and sister competitors, Logan and Lillyen Swedgan, crossed the line just 32 seconds apart at the end of their five kilometer Micro run for participants under 12 years of age. Logan's finish stopped the timer's watch in 33 minutes, 53 seconds, while his sister clocked in at 34:25.

The Swedgans weren't the only youngsters to hit the trail, however. Kurt Poulin and Liam Michaud were part of the Running For Shelter relay team that made the much longer Mini trek in support of St. Paul Animal Shelter, with another young teammate, Eve Michaud, sidelined by an injury earlier in the week, waiting at the finish line to add her voice to the cheering section.

The final runners checked in at the finish line shortly after 2:30 p.m., five and a half hours after leaving their St. Paul starting point.



MICRO WINNER Logan Swedgan pounds toward the finish line, with sister Lillyen not far behind in the 5K run.



RUNNING FOR SHELTER - A team that included (back, left to right) Elk Point resident Jorja Theriault, Megan Fraser, Jen Hamel, (front, left to right) Eve Michaud, Kurt Poulin and Liam Michaud, raised approximately \$250 for the St. Paul Animal Shelter through donations and bottle collection.



ELK POINT ELEMENTARY AMBASSADORS (left to right) Alexis Krider, success coach Doris Pindroch, Lillyen Swedgan (who also ran in the Micro), Aaron Cayanan and Brooklyn DeVries congratulated Micro winner Logan Swedgan, with D'Arcy Evans, whose stopwatch recorded his top time.

Rain, rain, stay away - we want to go out to play!

Can you believe this; tomorrow is already the end of May. The first month of ball is almost over. Quite a few of the games in May were postponed due to rain

and snow, and the Pee wee Boys Sox team had one of them to make up from earlier in the month; so they played it this past Tuesday against Bonnyville and although they came out on the losing end of the baseball bat, they played really well. Josef 'Red' Theriault, 'Bazooka Joey' Cardinal, Teagan Jacobson, Tristan Proudlove, Keith Stuparyk and closer Vanden 'Super Mario' Moroziuk all getting the call to the mound and doing a terrific job. Nathaniel Cousins behind the mask at home to start the game has a strong arm for the throw down to second. Spencer McNamara had a hot glove on first base getting all three outs in one inning, he also had some great blocks of wild pitches at the catcher position later in the game. The infield was solid as a rock with Wyatt Pavoll at shortstop, Brady 'Bionic Man' Hymanyk on second and Chase 'Big Pappi' Pankiw on third, nothing was getting through. Keith Stuparyk pounding a really nice double to center field, bringing in some runs.

On Wednesday, of course, just as forecasted, 100 per cent chance of rain, it was pouring and with the wicked wind all of the girls' games were postponed until a later date. Thursday morning it was still raining, but in the afternoon the sun came out again, and almost everywhere but here in Elk Point the games were cancelled due to wet infields. At Elk Point, with our fabulous drainage into the gravel that is only inches below the surface, it was game on!

Both of our Mosquitoes teams played at home this past Thursday, the Mosquitoes No. 1 losing to St. Paul 21 to 13. Slugger Nic 'the Saint' Penner with two

singles and a triple. Timmy 'the Tank' Cardinal getting on base, four for four times, twice walking, twice taking one for the team, hit by pitches. The Mosquitoes No. 2 winning against Bonnyville 18 to 15.

In AA action this past weekend, the Lakeland Northstars pee wee team travelled to Coronation to play in a provincial round robin, losing their first game to the top team in the league, the Lloydminster Twins 11 to 10 in the bottom of the seventh inning. 'Mic Jager' Fontaine pitching four solid innings for the Northstars. Then, playing back-to-back games with only a very short break, this one against a tough lefty chucker for the host Coronation, losing this one 14 to 11. The boys had a huge rally in the sixth inning, scoring seven runs and adding two more in the seventh. On Sunday their game ended with a 13 to 13 tie, the game called due to time restraints. Kobe 'the Cobra' Warawa and Jaden 'Jetstream' Van Maarion both hitting well with strong games at the plate, each of them with some extra base hits. Andon 'Ace' Ballas scooping up the hot grounders at first base and snagging some bad throws into the dirt, and others that went high and wide. At first base, it's very important to have a guy who can do that for you.

A very tough weekend for the Bantam AA Sox team who travelled to St. Albert, losing three out of four games. Next month the boys will be re tiered and things will get better. A single and a home run for Dalton '007' Reed in the game they won over St. Albert, 'Hammering Hank' Rogal with two singles in the same game.

Our Midget AA players, Kaiden 'K Rock' Evans Anderson and Braden 'Magnet' Fairbairn won two

out of three this past weekend, playing for Jim Church and the Bonnyville Braves Midget AA team, 'K Rock' getting three Ks in two innings pitched, 'Magnet' with a couple of great assists playing on third base, both of them doing well at the plate.

And now for the K.A. Campbell quote of the week. "Our boys did nobly, but fortune was against us. Though defeated, not disgraced." Cincinnati Red Stockings president Aaron B. Champion after his team lost for the first time in over 80 games on June 14, 1870.



INCOMING! Beware of the Bantam Sox and this red hot pitcher!

Photo by Rod Cardinal



Candles lit at Health Centre in memory of loved ones

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Elk Point Palliative Care Society held their annual Candlelight Ceremony last Tuesday, with society president Theresa McNamara telling the families and friends of those who lost loved ones in the past year that the event is an opportunity to honour and reflect, and part of the healing process for those left behind.

The society was formed in the early 1990s and is one of many volunteer organizations in the community. Its compassionate volunteers provide support for patients and their families at a time when help is sorely needed, she said. The society's major fundraiser, the Tree of Hope lighted each year in memory of loved ones, always receives generous support, and this year, the society accepted a very generous \$1,940 donation from the Elk Point Fire Department, after they defeated the St. Paul Fire Department in a spaghetti eating contest, and another \$1,000 from the board of Elk Point United Church when the church closed its doors, as well as donations from the Elk Point Health Care Auxiliary.

Each year, the society acknowledges the efforts of those who work in one or more of the 17 departments that make up Elk Point Health Care Centre. This year, the kitchen, housekeeping and laundry staff were listed, with MC Sandra Lorensen noting that some employees work in more than one of these departments. Kitchen staff members Kimbelry Prout, Sharon Cousins, Carole Kulczycki, Jean Digol, Debbie White, Glenda Millhouse, Amber Sadowinski, Aura Cayan, Brenda Diesel, Heather Brovchnko, Kendra Warholik and Madison MacDonald, Housekeeping staff Connie Brodbin, Vincenta Maborang Tulio, Linda Belcourt, Lisa Vallee, Kathy Handford, Jamie Henry, Linda Kent, Karen St. Arnault and Glenda Millhouse and Laundry staff Lisa Mumby Karen St. Arnault, Iris Brown, Sue Bugej and Tammy Smith were called forward to accept flowers, along with thanks "for all your hard work and commitment to providing great care for our patients. Your dedication to your positions plays and important role in keeping this health centre running smoothly."

Daleen Pinder, accompanying herself on guitar for the first time in public, sang two uplifting numbers for the appreciative crowd, "One Day at a Time" and "Love Can Build a Bridge."

Roberta Lawrence followed with a poem, "Storms Never Last."

Guest speaker was Caroline Yewchin with "a conversation about a hard topic:



GUEST SPEAKER Caroline Yewchin spoke of how care and support can assist with grief.

"It's a subject she is very familiar with and works with on a continuing basis, spending two to three days a week with Victim Services and serving as coordinator for a grief camp for children age seven to 12. "People are concerned that they are grieving properly and are wondering if what they are doing is OK. There are many myths about grieving."

Yewchin listed several, including the idea that one should find ways to keep from dealing with the pain, whereas she feels they should acknowledge that "this grief is mine, acknowledge the pain, work on it and deal with it. When you let it out, healing begins. Grief is uncomfortable and painful, but necessary." Another myth is time. "People put pressure on us to get over it, but grief has no timeline, no expiry date. We need to take the time to grieve in a way that is most comfortable to us. It could be two to five years to feel your world feels right again."

A third myth is that there are right and wrong ways to grieve, Yewchin said. "Everyone's grief journey is as personal as their fingerprints. It depends on the relationship they had the cause of death, their own personalities, it's not one size fits all. One of the least helpful things to tell someone who has lost a loved one is 'You should....' or 'You shouldn't....' Yet another myth is that we need closure to detach and move on, but "closure isn't one of my favourite words. Rather than detaching, you need to form a new relationship with (those who have passed). Talk to them, think about them, include them on special days, plan for anniversaries. Sharing lessens grief. Finish their projects, embrace their causes, make something meaningful."

Grieving well, she concluded, "has no boundaries, no following a prescribed path. It takes persistence, patients and support. Try new coping strategies, do intentional things to help you through.

Have the patience to understand sometimes you can't focus on your loss. Sometimes you have to focus on the future. We can't only live in the past. Eventually the darkness will lift and you will find the world is still spinning."

The Candlelight Ceremony saw candles lit for Matt Chiakowsky, Cliff Jeffrey, Helen Gulayec, Holly Nadeau, Ken Pedersen, Lena Yaceyko, Peter Yarmuch, Dianne L. Smith, Antonia Gozjolko, Irene Quinney, Harry Shymkiw, Virginia Smereka, Ollie Fedorus, sisters Rose Blacklock and Martha Lorensen, Adolph Porcina, Doug Cameron, Bernadette Godlein,

Bill Seniuk, Donald Turner, Steve Andrishak, Doris Kville, Lillian Davies, Monica Lee, Maurice Gagne, Paula Wirsta and Ann Capjack, with several of those who came forward to light candles and accept flowers making comments about their loved ones and complimenting the healthcare staff on the good care they had received. Three other individuals also lit candles for people outside the area.

Mary Bezpalko read a poem entitled "If" before draws were made for door prizes, those won by Linda Smereka and Grace Kinjerski.

OBITUARY

CLASSEN, Jeffrey



On May 24, 2017, Jeff Classen of Elk Point passed away at the age of 28 years. He is survived by his loving parents, Monica & Harold; sister, Courtney Hodder of Brooks, & her children, Evan & Kaylee; grandparents, Gilbert Classen of Elk Point, Morley Davey of Roblin, Manitoba, & Alvin & Geraldine Laviolette of San Clara, Manitoba; numerous aunts, uncles & cousins. Jeffrey was predeceased by his grandmothers, Beatrice Davey & Gertrude Classen. A Celebration of Life will be held on Wednesday, May 31 at 11:00 a.m. at Elk Point Baptist Church, Elk Point, with Pastor Jim MacLellan officiating. Cremation has taken place. If desired, donations may be made to The Lung Association or Elk Point Baptist Church c/o 5626 51 Street, St. Paul, AB T0A 3A1. To send condolences online, please visit www.gracegardensfuneralchapel.com.

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OBITUARY

RAMER, Carl Eugene



Carl Eugene Ramer, 76, passed away at the Red Deer Hospice Society on May 25, 2017. He is survived by his wife of 51 years, Lois (Metzler) Ramer; his son Jon Andrew Ramer & wife Michele; daughter Saralena Ramer; and granddaughter Alicia Ramer. He was born in Wakarusa, Indiana on August 18, 1940 to John and Goldie Ramer. Carl graduated from New Paris High School, Indiana in 1958. He went on to La Junta Mennonite Hospital, Colorado to work as an orderly, where he met his future wife Lois. They were married in Martinsburg, Pennsylvania on July 3, 1965. Carl & Lois moved to Goshen, Indiana where he attended Goshen College for 2 years. Due to their love of serving, they joined Mennonite Mission Board (Elkhart, Indiana) and moved to northern Canada in 1968. They settled in the village of Anzac, Alberta where he pursued the childhood dream of trapping, mushing his dog team, and building a log cabin. In this time, they served with the Mennonite Church.

Carl worked for Amoco Canada as a power engineer, which lead them to relocating to Elk Point Alberta in 1987. They built up a 80 acre hobby farm where he enjoyed riding his horses and raising a variety of farm animals. He then retired from the oil patch in 2003, and he and Lois became official snowbirds. Carl will be remembered by his graciousness. He was a devoted family man and follower of God.

A memorial service will be held on July 7, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. at the Elk Point Baptist Church House.

OBITUARY

LECOPOY, Jody



On May 24, 2017, Mr. Jody Lecopoy of Elk Point passed away at the age of 46 years. He is survived by his loving wife of 14 years, Rhonda; daughter, Ashley; mother, Gloria Lecopoy of Elk Point; siblings, Bonny Lecopoy of Calgary & Chris Lecopoy & his son, Andrew of Elk Point; mother- & father-in-law, Val & Willie Poitras of Elk Point; 2 sisters-in-law, Roxanne (Brad) Gunderson & their children, Hayden & Chloe, & Colleen (Mark) Fortin & their children, Emily, Hannah & Grace; brother-in-law, Wade (Lori) Poitras & their children, Chad & Jenna; numerous aunts, uncles & cousins. He was predeceased by his father, Larry; & grandparents. Funeral Service will be held on Friday, June 2 at 11:00 a.m. at Allied Arts Centre, Elk Point. Pastor Kelly Sibley will be officiating. Cremation to follow. To send condolences online, please visit www.gracegardensfuneralchapel.com.

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What has been described as "a Herculean effort" by family, friends and neighbours took place on Wednesday afternoon and evening to save Warren and Bev Smith's house at Laurier Lake from the continental cyclone that brought strong winds and heavy rain to the area.

"Earlier in the day, the few remaining sandbags we had were filled," Bev says. "The lower deck was cut out six boards from the house wall and the removed deck section was cut in half; two pieces are now part of the storm surge wall. During the morning, there was a Rona run to get the plywood and the 'ice shield' plastic barrier."

A family member arrived from Edmonton with 300 sand bags, she said. After 6 p.m., family and neighbours filled 193 sand bags, transported them to the lake and bagged the second 'wave' wall, bagged against the house, and reinforced and raised the original sandbag berm. The County of St. Paul send a truckload of sand. "We were sure glad they did because we used up all our existing sand and made inroads into the newly delivered pile."

The front wall of the house is covered four feet up with plywood; a rubber barrier is attached to the plywood. The screen door is removed and all access to outside is now from upstairs.



FAMILY, FRIENDS AND NEIGHBOURS helped in reinforcing the surge wall, above. Below, the dock broke from its moorings.

Bev Smith photos



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Bey Smith photo

Shooting leaves youth dead

STAFF WRITERS

In the early morning of May 22, at approximately 5:15 a.m., members of the Elk Point RCMP Detachment responded to a report of a possible shooting on the Fishing Lake Metis Settlement, which left a 16-year-old male youth dead and has resulted in a 19-year-old man being charged with second degree murder.

The initial call to police reported that a male had been shot following a dispute and that he was deceased. Members from the Elk Point RCMP Detachment arrived at the scene and confirmed that the deceased person was 16-year-old Merle Gabriel Eli Lajimodiere** of Fishing Lake Metis Settlement.

Investigators from the RCMP's Major

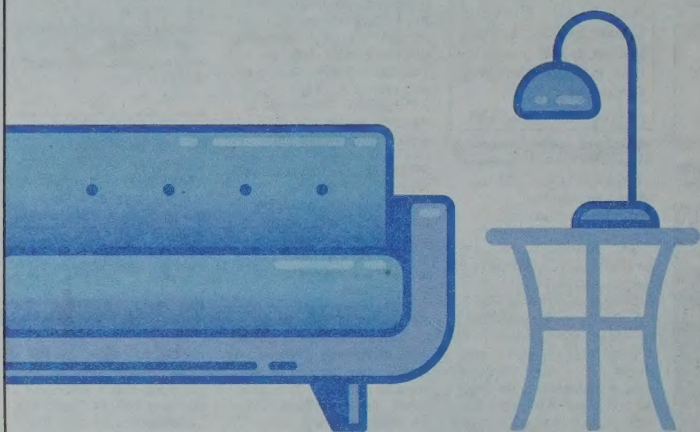
Crimes Unit (MCU) attended the area and were assisted in their investigation by the RCMP's Forensic Identification Section (FIS) as well as by Elk Island and St. Paul RCMP detachments.

Charged with second degree murder in the death of Merle Lajimodiere is 19-year-old Ashton Patrick Callioux**, also of Fishing Lake Metis Settlement. He is scheduled to appear in provincial court in St. Paul on Thursday, May 25, 2017 at 9:30 a.m.

Fishing Lake Metis Settlement is located approximately 278 kilometres east of Edmonton.

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FIVE GOOD REASONS TO GET OFF THE FENCE AND BUY

Are you looking to buy a home for the first time? With certain factors coming together in the housing market, now may be the time to take the plunge. Keep in mind though, that the "right" time to buy should be when you're personally and financially ready and not an attempt to "time" the market.

Here are five good reasons to buy your own "home sweet home" now:

1. FINANCING RATES AND TERMS ARE LOOKING GOOD

Not only are interest rates near the lowest they've been in decades, but also low rates are available over longer terms.

2. HOMES ARE MORE AFFORDABLE

Real estate prices have been levelling off in many places and for certain types of properties, making home ownership more accessible.

3. THE BUYING PROCESS IS LESS PRESSURED

A slower housing market means fewer bidding wars on homes. That's a huge relief to first-time buyers who find the process intimidating. It can mean more time to think about what you really want in a home, not to mention more opportunities to inspect properties, view data about properties or add conditions to an offer.

4. THERE IS A LONGER LIST TO CHOOSE FROM

For certain types of housing, there may be more listings to look at. This greater choice may up your chances of finding a property that has all the features you want in a location that suits you.

5. YOU FEEL READY

The ultimate trigger for taking the leap into homeownership should be your personal situation. Do you really want to put down roots, make space for a growing family or

fulfill a life goal? If you've already set a down payment aside, are prepared to make a long-term financial commitment and know what you want, you may have enough reasons to find a house to call your own.

We can walk you through the mortgage and financing side of the home-buying process ahead of time so you'll know what you can afford and can search for a home with confidence.

Making the decision to purchase a home can be exciting. It can also be a little overwhelming, and we're here to help.

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